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1. PER REQUEST FOLLOWING REPLIES TO GOODMAN QUESTIONS
RE DEPMINAG WILLIAMS LETTER (REFTEL B) BASED ON AGATT OTTAWA
DISCUSSION JUNE 25 WITH WILLIAMS:

A. "FULL TIME EMPLOYEE U.S. GOVERNMENT": NEED NOT REPEAT
NOT BE VETERINARIAN. GOC WOULD PREFER VETERINARIAN, BUT
KNOWLEDGEABLE, PROFESSIONAL, FULL-TIME EMPLOYEE OF USDA
(NOT JUST CASUAL, PART-TIME EMPLOYEE) ACCEPTABLE. WILLIAMS
WOULD LIKE TO NEGOTIATE FURTHER ON THIS.

2. "PRE-SHIPMENT ON SITE INSPECTION": DOES NOT REPEAT NOT
MEAN INSPECTION BEFORE EACH AND EVERY SHIPMENT. IF
INDIVIDUAL IS REGULAR, SATISFACTORY SHIPPER OVER PERIOD OF
TIME THEN INITIAL INSPECTION FOLLOWED BY SPOT CHECKING
SHOULD BE SUFFICIENT. HOWEVER IF INDIVIDUAL IS ERRATIC

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SHIPPER, LONG TIME BETWEEN SHIPMENTS, THEN INSPECTION

BEFORE SHIPMENTS DESIRED. WILLIAMS SAYS GOC OPEN TO FURTHER NEGOTIATION ON THIS.

3. WILLIAMS LETTER REFTEL B NOT REPEAT NOT INTENDED TO ELIMINATE NEED FOR PRODUCER, FULL-TIME EMPLOYEE, VETERINARIAN CERTIFICATION PROCEDURE ESSENTIALLY AS PROPOSED IN YEUTTER LETTER (REFTEL C).

4. "APPROVED" LIST: GOC NOT REPEAT NOT ASKING IT BE PROVIDED LIST OF SHIPPERS--HENCE REASON FOR "APPROVED" IN QUOTES IN WILLIAMS' LETTER (REFTEL B). WILLIAMS PROPOSAL ENVISIONS U.S. PREPARING OWN LIST OF "APPROVED" SHIPPERS INTENDING TO EXPORT ON REGULAR BASIS WHO WOULD RECEIVE INITIAL INSPECTION AND SUBSEQUENT SPOT CHECKS. THOSE NOT ON "APPROVED" LIST (SPORADIC SHIPPERS) WOULD REQUIRE INSPECTION BEFORE EACH SHIPMENT.

5. WILLIAMS CONCLUDED BY RAISING QUESTION HE DESIRES TO DISCUSS FURTHER WITH YEUTTER. SPECIFICALLY, PROCEDURE FOR CERTIFYING CATTLE BEING TRANSFERRED BETWEEN FEED LOTS E.G. TO PREVENT FEED LOT OPERATOR SLIPPING RECENTLY RECEIVED NON-INSPECTED ANIMALS INTO GROUP OF PROPERLY CERTIFIED CATTLE FOR SHIPMENT.

6. RESPONDING TO GOODMAN QUERY RE LIKELIHOOD OF GOC AGREEING SPEEDILY ON CERTIFICATION PROCEDURE: BASED ON EARLIER COMMENTS BY AGRICULTURE AND EXTAFF OFFICIALS TO AGATT, U.S. SIDE ENCOURAGED TO CONTINUE NEGOTIATIONS PER LAST SENTENCE MINAG WHELAN STATEMENT AFTER CABINET CONSIDERATION (REFTEL D) BUT ONE HIGH OFFICIAL STATED THAT EVEN IF ALL GOC CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS MET, IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT FOR CABINET TO ACCEPT PRIOR TO JULY 8 ELECTION CONSIDERING IMPACT OF INEVITABLE OPPOSITION SPEECHES ACCUSING LIBERALS OF KNUCKLING UNDER TO U.S. RETALIATION THREATS.
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